



UPDATE ON LOMOND GROVE

MARCH 2021 – LOMOND GROVE

We're proposing to build new council homes on Lomond Grove as part of our commitment to providing more quality council homes across the borough. We've committed to creating 11,000 new council homes by 2043 – a big goal, but crucial if we're going to tackle the housing crisis and ensure our residents have quality homes they can be proud of, now and in the future.

The proposed new development will provide 22 new council homes at council rents. A minimum of 50% of these new council homes will be let to existing local residents in housing need in line with the Council's local lettings policy. This means residents can continue to live near family, friends, and services they currently use.

Alongside the development of new homes, we will also be looking to carry out additional landscaping works, replanting trees and improvements to the play area in front of 1-47 Caspian Street.

LATEST UPDATES

We last wrote to you in February 2020 to share our latest landscaping proposals for the site via our consultation platform Commonplace. The closing date for comments was Sunday 28 February 2021, however you are still able to view the proposals for the site by visiting:

<https://lomondgrove.commonplace.is/proposals/have-your-say-on-landscaping-proposals>

Feedback from residents was that:

- The play space should be focused on equipment for younger children.
- Play space should incorporate natural elements and nature play.
- Lighting in the pocket park area is particularly important.
- The proposals should help to improve local biodiversity.
- Locations for trees to be planted were suggested and we are looking into these.

The landscaping proposals have been updated to take into account the suggestions and feedback from residents that were received as part of this consultation.

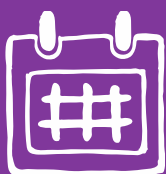
We recently held our fourth resident project group meeting, where we discussed the proposals and project group members provided feedback on the ideas.

NEXT STEPS

The next steps as part of the design development will be to:

- Continue carrying out the remaining surveys on site
- Work with teams in the Council to get their feedback on the proposals
- Virtual consultation to show final design, for all residents on the estate prior to submitting the planning application – please see the enclosed letter with the link to the commonplace website where you can give feedback on the proposals.

KEY DATES AND TIMELINE



TIMELINE

Spring 2021	Virtual consultation to show final design, for all residents on the estate prior to planning submission.
Summer 2021	Planning submission, planning statutory consultation & decision
Autumn 2021	Procurement of Contractors commences
Spring 2022	Meet the Contractor event (Opportunity for residents & project group to ask questions and information about the works that will be starting on site) + Construction work starts on site
Spring 2024	Construction works complete

Please note, these are indicative dates and can be subject to change.

CONSULTATION DURING THE COVID-19 PANDEMIC

We remain committed to ensuring we consult with you throughout the design and development stages of the proposed new council homes.

For the time being as a result of the current Covid-19 situation, we are following the social distancing directive from Central Government and so are unable to hold meetings or to carry out consultation in-person. This means that meetings will be held online via video calls.

If you do not have access to the internet or would like to provide feedback in a different way, please let us know or feel free to give us a call to discuss the project with us in more detail. You can arrange a call with us at a convenient time that works for you. We can also send information and material to you by post.

If guidance changes and we are once again able to hold meetings, we will consult with residents about their preferred method of communication and consultation.

KEEP UPDATED ONLINE

To keep updated please visit our webpage below:

<https://www.southwark.gov.uk/housing/new-council-homes/where-we-re-building/camberwell-green/lomond-grove>

To give feedback and find out more information, please visit the Commonplace website:

<https://lomondgrove.commonplace.is/>

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